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~~Powers Asks~~ Visa to Visit Captive Son

Oliver Powers, father of U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers who is serving a 15-year sentence in a Russian prison on spy charges, came to Washington yesterday.

Jessica Hileman, the pilot's sister, 318 Audrey la., Glassmanor, reported that her father left the city in the afternoon after trying unsuccessfully to learn whether he would be granted a visa by the Russian Embassy. She said he applied for the visa several months ago.

The Associated Press reported that before his departure Powers expressed the desire to spend May Day in Moscow with his son.

Soviet officials denied that the elder Powers had conferred with them yesterday.

State Department spokesmen said that Powers discussed his son's case with them while he was in Washington. The substance of the discussion was not divulged.

Powers was accompanied by his lawyer, Carl McAfee, Mr. Hileman said.

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